

As a consumer, I believe that forcing cable companies to allow other ISPs on their networks is essential to establishing fair competition in the broadband arena. As the Internet develops, higher and higher bandwidth will be required by consumers, especially as video migrates to it. As a result, high speed access will be essential to allow continued growth. If local cable companies aren't required to lease their infrastructure, there will be little opportunity for other companies to compete, and consumers will suffer much higher costs.